THE ASSOCIATED COMMUNITY
COUNCILS OF NEWARK
796 Broad St.,
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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, October 2, 1957 8:00 P. M. YM-YWCA 600 Broad St.

Mrs. R. Neal Owens, President, Presiding

PRESENT:

Mrs. H. W. Bingham	- Vailsburg	Paul S. Camitta, Essex Cty. Park Comm.	
Mrs. F. R. Lacey	- Vailsburg	Mrs. Samuel B. Illingworth	- Clinton Hill
Athalee Jordan	- Central	Mrs. Miriam Sanford	- Dayton St.
Mrs. Rita Bradbury	- Roseville	Mrs. Sarah Hauptman	- Dayton St.
Anita Earl	- Roseville	Mrs. Grace Golat	- Clinton Hill
Emil Drechsler	- Roseville	Mr. Stanley Hallett	- Clinton Hill
Bernard Kazin	- Roseville	Mrs. Chas. Landiver	- Clinton Hill
Tim O'Brien	- Clinton Hill	Mrs. Mildren Helms	- Clinton Hill
Martin J. Bergen	- Ironbound	Abe Chinoy	- Weequahic
Tally C. Talbot	- Dayton St.	Dr. Jellnik	- Weequahic
Leo M. Waldor	- Dayton St.	Joe Mellilo	- Br. Brook

MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as mailed.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

The proposed amendment to the constitution, which would re-define the term "community council", was discussed. Mrs. Golat expressed an objection to the use of the term "non-political" in the original article. It was moved by Mr. Drechsler and seconded by Mrs. Bradbury that the amendment be disapproved as recommended by the Executive Committee; the motion was carried by a unanimous roll-call vote.

INTRODUCTION:

Visitors and new-comers were introduced. Attending from the Dayton Street area for the first time were Mr. Leo Waldor, Mr. Talbot, Mrs. Hauptmann, Mrs. Sanford and Mr. Menza.

ESSEX COUNTY ICE SKATING RINK:

The president reviewed the work of our organization with the Essex County Park Commission and introduced Mr. Camitta of that organization who told many things of interest. Sunday, October 27 at 3 P. M. has been set as the time for the dedication of the new skating rink at Branch Brook Park; following the dedication ceremony there will be a demonstration of ice-skating and other uses of the arena. The tentative schedule of fees is as follows: Mon.-Fri. 2:30-5:30 adults 50¢, children 25¢; Monday afternoon and Saturday morning children 10¢ as well as in school-vacation periods checking 10¢; skate rental 50¢; Wednesday morning, senior citizen and family period, adults 50¢; evenings being intended mainly for adults, 75¢; 6 to 8 P. M. for experts who will rent space. A skate shop will be operated, demonstrating proper fitting and good skates. During the evening session 8-11 P. M., 1000 persons can be accomodated. There are no seating provisions at present; no spectators. Mr. Camitta's report was warmly received by the group.

AMENDMENTS TO CITY CODES:

City Council hearings: our representatives appeared in August and September. The Council is continuing study and re-wording of the amendments which should be adopted at the next reading. The actions, contacts and communications of A. C. C. and its member councils have had encouraging effects in this connection.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE:

Mr. Bergen reported that the first order for the booklet "You and Your Neighborhood" is being placed and that several organizations in the city are ordering them by the thousand. The posters also are being made. Each council must make its individual request for use of these copyrighted materials. The address is: Mrs. Suey, Channing L. Bete Company, Greenfield, Mass.

Mr. Bergen displayed the posters which he has obtained for A. C. C. and the Ironbound Community Council. We are indebted to the United Advertising Corporation for preparing these materials. Mr. Bergen also has film-slides on the subject.

MAYOR CARLIN'S LETTER:

A letter from Mayor Carlin was read in which the mayor responded to our commendation of the appointment of Mr. Hoover as city planner.

CLINTON HILL PROJECT:

Mr. Hallett reported that progress is being made in the purchase of the Clinton Hill property. He further reported on progress in Clinton Hill redevelopment with the merits of assisted and unassisted programs being considered. There are many questions with regard to this program. Could redevelopment possibly begin as unassisted and change to an assisted program?

Mr. Melillo moved that we recommend to the Clinton Hill Neighborhood Council that it have representation at the governmental conference on the problem and the A. C. C also be represented. The A C C is to take the necessary steps to procure an invitation to the conference. Seconded by Mr. Golat, the motion passed.

INCORPORATION PAPERS:

Dr. Jellinek transmitted to Mrs. Owens the papers of incorporation which Mr. Schanerman procured. A letter of appreciation will be sent to Mr.Schanerman with a check for the eleven-dollar expense incurred. (Moved by Mr. Melillo, seconded by Mr. Drechsler, passed.)

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

The president is to appoint the nominating committee in the immediate future.

PERSONAL ETHICS:

If an officer of the A. C. C. should seek public office, what should happen to his A. C. C office? One suggestion is that such person resign his office until he is no longer in such public or political office. Another view was that it would be dangerous to continue a political office-holder in an association office; it would be poor public relations. The matter will be referred to the By-Laws Committee. The following committee on personal ethics was appointed: Mr. O'Brien, Mrs. Bradbury Mrs. Lacey, Mr. Chincy and Mr. Tompkins.

ACTION RENEWAL CLINIC:

Mr. Feldman reported on the ACTION clinic which was held in New York City. On lesson which he brought was that with governmental authority and immediate, active personal interest anything can be accomplished. He distributed many interesting materials and will look into obtaining others for the councils.

NEIGHBORHOOD NUISANCES:

Mr. Feldman read a letter from Mr. Winters of C. H. N. C. concerning neighborhood nuisances, regulations affecting them and offices to be contacted. It may be advisable to have a folder of such information drawn up for distribution.

WORKSHOP COMMITTEE:

Mrs. Owens appointed the Workshop Committee as follows: Mr. Tompkins, Dr. Jellinek Mr. Talbot, Mrs. Bingham, Mr. Bergen, Mrs. Golat and Mrs. Bradbury.

NUTLEY HUMAN RELATIONS WORKSHOP:

The Nutley human relations workshop was announced. The president is to attend with expenses paid.

ALLOTMENT TO WEEQUAHIC COMMUNITY COUNCIL:

Dr. Jellinek inquired about the fifty-dollar allowance for the Weequahic Community Council. He was instructed simply to send a letter to the president or treasurer, as the matter had already been approved.

PROGRAM SUGGESTION:

Mr. Bergen suggested that we invite Mr. Fitterer of the Bishop Walsh Homes to discuss community organization in large housing projects. Some follow-up action will be taken.

COUNCILS REPRESENTED:

Member councils represented were: Central, Clinton Hill, Ironbound, Roseville Vailsburg, Branch Brook and Weequahic.

Respectfully submitted

E. Alma Flagg